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Inventors: BRASCH *et al.*  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. SKGF Cover Letter;
2. Eighth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
3. Two (2) pages of Form PTO-1449;
4. A copy of cited document nos. AO24, AT213, AR214 and AS214; and
5. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Listed on accompanying Form PTO-1449 are documents that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98.

The numbering on this Eighth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is a continuation of the numbering in Applicants' Seventh Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed January 27, 2005, in connection with the above-captioned application.

Copies of documents **AB22-AK22** and **AA23** are not provided in accordance with the Changes To Support Implementation of the United States Patent and Trademark Office 21st Century Strategic Plan, effective October 21, 2004, which states "section 1.98(a)(2)(i) is amended to eliminate the requirement in paragraph (a)(2)(i) for a copy of each U.S. patent or U.S. patent application publication listed in an IDS in a patent application regardless of the filing date of the application." A copy of each other document is provided.

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